## § 1152.8

proposed Federal financial assistance if—

- (1) The state has not adopted a process under the Order; or
- (2) The assistance or development is under program or activity not selected for the state process.

This notice is made by the publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER or other appropriate means which the Endowment in its discretion deems appropriate.

## § 1152.8 How does the Chairman provide states with an opportunity to comment on proposed Federal financial assistance?

- (a) Except in unusual circumstance, the Chairman gives state processes or directly affected state, areawide, regional and local officials and entities—
  - (1) [Reserved]
- (2) At least 60 days from the date established by the Chairman to comment on proposed Federal financial assistance.
- (b) This section also applies to comments in cases in which the review, coordination, and communication with the Endowment have been delegated.

## § 1152.9 How does the Chairman receive and respond to comments?

- (a) The Chairman follows the procedures in §1152.10 if:
- (1) A state office or official is designated to act as a single point of contact between a state process and all Federal agencies; and
- (2) That office or official transmits a state process recommendation for a program selected under §1152.6.
- (b)(1) The single point of contact is not obligated to transmit comments from state, areawide, regional or local officials and entities where there is no state process recommendation.
- (2) If a state process recommendation is transmitted by a single point of contact, all comments from state, areawide, regional, and local officials and entities that differ from it must also be transmitted.
- (c) If a state has not established a process, or is unable to submit a state process recommendation, state, areawide, regional and local officials and entities may submit comments to the Endowment.

- (d) If a program or activity is not selected for a state process, state, areawide, regional and local officials and entities may submit comments to the Endowment. In addition, if a state process recommendation for a non-selected program or activity is transmitted to the Endowment by the single point of contact, the Chairman follows the procedure of §1152.10 of this part.
- (e) The Chairman considers comments which do not constitute a state process recommendation submitted under these regulations and for which the Chairman is not required to apply the procedures of §1152.10 of this part, when such comments are provided by a single point of contact or directly to the Endowment by a commenting party.

## §1152.10 How does the Chairman make efforts to accommodate intergovernmental concerns?

- (a) If a state process provides a state process recommendation to the Endowment through its single point of contact, the Chairman either:
  - (1) Accepts the recommendation;
- (2) Reaches a mutually agreeable solution with the state process; or
- (3) Provides the single point of contact with such written explanation of the decision, as the Chairman in his or her discretion deems appropriate. The Chairman may supplement the written explanation by also providing the explanation to the single point of contact by telephone other telecommunication, or other means.
- (b) In any explanation under paragraph (a)(3) of this section the Chairman informs the single point of contact that:
- (1) The Endowment will not implement its decision for ten days after the single point of contact receives the explanation; or
- (2) The Chairman has reviewed the decision and determined that, because of unusual circumstances, the ten-day waiting period is not feasible.
- (c) For purposes of computing the waiting period under paragraph (b)(1) of this section, a single point of contact is presumed to have received written notification 5 days after the date of mailing of such notification.